

ITALY'S GREAT SCANDAL

PARLIAMENT IS PROROGUED AMID
MUCH EXCITEMENT.

riapi Denounces the Glottit Documents as a Mass of Lies—His Report to the King on the Revival of the Old Scandals—The King Supports the Premier—Glottit

Dec. 13.—Premier Crispi was before the Chamber yesterday afternoon and denounced the Glottit documents as a mass of reports. Deputy Imbriani moved that the report be referred to the committee. The date of 198 to 170, Deputy Guicciardini's motion to open the debate to-day was carried amid scenes of intense excitement. A tumultuous outburst was predicted for to-day, but in the morning the *Official Gazette* announced the decision proroguing Parliament.

MAIL.—The opposition groups in the Chamber have decided to demand the annulment of the vote against the prorogation of Parliament. The Marquis di Rudini, ex-Premier, presided, and also, Giuseppe Zanardelli, Admiral Brin, and the late, Giuseppe Cavallotti were appointed to draw the protest and send it to the King. All the speakers denounced the Government's course violently.

—The feeling against ex-Premier Giolitti is in Rome last night of an indefinite period. Everywhere is talking of a dissolution of the Chamber. The left is the cabinet for the Government is unfounded. The Government maintains the prorogation of the Chamber is well received in the provinces, where it is regarded as necessary. Five battalions of infantry have been brought to Rome in the last two days to guard against a riot.

—Prior to the prorogation of Parliament.

... " Suddenly your hopes and those of the country are thwarted. After persistently demanding the discussion of the Cabinet's domestic

policy, the Deputies checked the same in every way so as to revive old scandals, as if Italy had not suffered enough from a handful of disturbers whose only

...is disorder. The result was a strange
...ation which beclouded the judgment of
...liament and defied the authority of the
...resident. Therefore the Cabinet decided
...ananimously to prorogue Parliament in order
...that the Chamber might be saved from these
...ares and surprises which have beset it and
...ave time to recover the calm indispensable to

The correspondent adds that Crispi had had the decree in his pocket four days. The Premier remarked to his friends that he was consoled for any trials by the hearty support which he received from the King.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The *Standard's* correspondent at Rome says: "Among the Gellisti documents was a letter from Signora Crispi accompanying a payment of 5,000 lire which she made on a debt of 15,750 to Signor Tanlongo." In this letter she said:

"Power has ruined us, and I pray the Blessed

The *Standard's* Vienna correspondent says Crispi, his wife, steward, and secretary are all represented as having drawn sums from the Banca Romana. It is said that the reason of the prorogation is that Crispi desires that the prolix action which he and his wife have brought against Giolitti shall precede the debate.

"It is impossible to state or even hint what is at stake in the capitals of Italy's two allies, but the event of the first magnitude is feared, a development which nearly occurred six months ago." The *Times* correspondent in Rome says: "The president of the committee examining the documents gives the assurance that they do not contain a particle of evidence proving the alleged transactions in the name of Crispi, beyond the two bills negotiated two years ago with the Banca Romana."

There was no secret about these bills, and they were met when due. Crisp assures me that he never had any transactions with the bank. There is abundant evidence that the whole affair is part of a Parliamentary conspiracy."

HOT TIMES IN SAVANNAH.

Political Heelers Have Been Fighting There for Two Weeks.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 18.—Two factional Democratic candidates are in the field for the mayorship of Savannah. The election will take place in January, and the contest will be the first use of the Australian ballot system here. No one can vote who has not paid his taxes, including those of this year. There must also be a registration. This has led to a scramble at first, and then to pitched battles daily between men for choice places in the line at the Tax Collector's office. He can only issue

out two hundred receipts a day. The registration closed yesterday, and it was inevitable that many citizens would be shut out. Each faction had gangs of toughs, numbering about one hundred, and including the most desperate whites and negroes of the city. These men received from five to ten dollars a day. To each was given a list of six names, the largest

number the detective would accept. Late on Monday night, the two gangs had slugged each other in front of the Court House, hundreds of people watching from the mill. For two weeks no citizen paid taxes for himself, all trusting their names and money to the police force of the city had to be called out to restore order, and for a week the presence of about forty policemen has been required at the mill. The heeler were fed at the rival headquarters, where many of them remained all night, drinking out early each morning of beer, whiskey and sandwiches were given them. Two or three

EUGENE KELLY DYING.

Mr. Eugene Kelly, head of the banking house of Eugene Kelly & Co., is dying at his home, 33 East Fifty-first street. He became ill on Dec. 25 and was forced to take to his bed. His illness was aggravated the next day by a stroke of paralysis, which left him very feeble. He began to sink on Saturday afternoon. His physician, Dr. McCreery, said last evening that Mr. Kelly might live through the night, but that his age, 60 years, made it impossible for him to rally. He had been ill for nearly for ten days before he began to fail on Saturday.

Flames in East Rutherford.
RUTHERFORD, N. J., Dec. 16.—The toy and tin-
snail factory of Julius Jaeger & Co. in East
Rutherford was destroyed to-night by fire, the
flames on buildings and machinery being about
\$50,000, partly covered by insurance. One hun-
dred employees are thrown out of work. A large
stock of manufactured articles was destroyed.